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TAGS: ENRG, ETRD, MA

SUBJ: ROGEZ HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

REFS: TANANARIVE 1010; LONDON 8702(NOTAL)

LONDON PLEASE PASS SUBSTANCE FOLLOWING TO JERRY CAPKA,
KAISER ENGINEERS.

1. DESPITE SEVERAL RECENT INQUIRIES WITH VARIOUS MALAGASY OFFICIALS, EMBASSY UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER GOMR HAS ACTUALLY SENT KAISER ENGINEERS INFO IT REQUESTED ON ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION AND ON PROPOSED FERRO-CHROME PLANT. ENERGY SERVICE CHIEF INDICATES HE SENT THIS INFO ON TO FORMER DIRECTOR GEN OF ECON RAJAobelina SEVERAL MONTHS AGO FOR CONSIDERATION AND TRANSMISSION TO KAISER. NEW DIRGEN ZAFIMAHova ASSUMES IT HAS BEEN SENT TO KAISER SINCE MATERIAL IS NOT NOW IN HIS OFFICE. ENERGY SERVICE CHIEF CLAIMS HE RETAINED NO DUPLICATE COPY. REQUEST KAISER INFORM EMBASSY WHETHER THIS INFO HAS BEEN RECEIVED. IF IT HAS NOT, EMBASSY WILL MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO GET INFO FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF DETAILED REQUIREMENTS FROM KAISER.

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2. EMBOFF MET RECENTLY WITH ZAFIMAHOVA TO DISCUSS KAISER PROPOSAL FOR ROGEZ PROJECT. ZAFIMAHOVA WAS NONCOMMITTAL INDICATING ONLY THAT KAISER PROPOSAL WAS BEING STUDIED "ALONG WITH ALL THE OTHERS". IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRY BY EMBOFF, IT WAS CLEAR ZAFIMAHOVA UNDERSTANDS REVISED KAISER FINANCIAL PROPOSAL DATED 12JUN HAS AVERAGE INTEREST RATE OF ABOUT 7 PERCENT.

3. AT TIME OF MEETING WITH EMBOFF, ZAFIMAHOVA SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER FONMIN RATSIRAKA HAD OBTAINED ANY FURTHER DETAILS ON JAPANESE FINANCIAL PROPOSAL FOR ROGEZ PROJECT DURING HIS EARLY JULY VISIT TO TOKYO.

4. COMMENTS: SINCE RATSIRAKA DOES NOT APPEAR TOO HAPPY ABOUT TRIP TO JAPAN, WE DOUBT HE OBTAINED INFO, AT LEAST OF SATISFACTORY NATURE, ON JAPANESE PROPOSAL FOR ROGEZ PROJECT. AS MALAGASY MINECON AND FINANCE HAS BEEN INVITED TO JAPAN BY NIPPO-MALAGASY ASSOCIATION, SUBJECT LIKELY ARISE IF, AS SEEMS INDICATED, VISIT COMES OFF. WE SHALL CONTINUE ATTEMPT STAY POSTED ON JAPANESE PROPOSAL AND WILL KEEP KAISER INFORMED.
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